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Dear Sir/Madam:

Under the provisions of Sec. 8(e) of the Toxic Substances Control Act, this letter is to inform you of health effects observed in workers in the process of manufacture of new R&D substances designated [] which correspond to the chemical names

respectively.

From three days to three weeks after the end of manufacturing the substances cited above, reports were received indicating that 14 people involved in the manufacturing process were experiencing skin rash and some experienced nose bleeds. The rash was consistent with an allergic contact dermatitis. Symptoms seemed to be resolving in 5-7 days.

Further sensitization and analytical studies are being conducted to determine the causative agent. No additional manufacture will occur until the cause and adequate prevention measures have been determined. Employees and the [] customer have been notified of these results.

Sincerely,

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